

Reds Inflict "Third Degree"

Brooklyn Communist Tells of Torture in Russian Prisons to Force "Confessions."

MEETS DEPORTEES IN JAIL

Found Twenty Men Shipped Out of the United States in Various Prisons in Moscow—Many Prominent Men Also Prisoners.

Revel, Esthonia.—The worst phase of imprisonment in Moscow is not the possibility of execution, but the daily attempts made to wring confessions from the prisoners, says Dr. Morris Zucker, a Brooklyn communist, who arrived here recently after having served four months in the Russian jails.

Zucker was sentenced in New York in 1919 to 90 years' imprisonment for sedition, but was deported instead.

Speaking of the life of the prisoners in the principal political prison at Moscow, which is called the "O. O. V.," he said, "the daily third degree to which prisoners are subjected if they are suspected of a serious political crime is worse than execution."

Torture Repeated Daily.

"These prisoners are taken every day, if their captors think there is a chance of wringing a confession from them, into the questioning room. There, whether they have anything to confess or not, they are commanded to 'reveal the truth.'"

"The commissar puts a revolver to the prisoner's head. 'Confess, or I'll shoot,' he commands. The prisoner waits for the shot. He never knows whether it is coming or not."

"This process is often repeated until the prisoner will confess rather than undergo any further ordeals, in which case he is shot anyway."

Meets Deported Radicals in Jail.

The mental condition of these prisoners becomes such that they would prefer death, said Doctor Zucker. The Brooklyn communist says that he met in the various prisons of Moscow 20 of the radicals deported from America and

that he could well understand why the Bolsheviks arrested them, for they were chiefly anarchists who did not believe in any government, "particularly in a government so dictatorial as that maintained by the Bolsheviks."

Zucker said he found in prison also the president of the Turkestan soviet republic, Mohammed Hadja; Gen. Alex Gertor, once commander of the Russian southwestern front; eight members of the executive committee of the right wing of the social revolutionist party; three members of the executive committee of the left wing of that party, including Mayorieff, who was commissar of agriculture in 1918, and also a former minister of ecclesiastical affairs, M. Samson.

Zucker described the summoning of prisoners for execution in much the same way as did Schwartz, the San Francisco communist, who came out of Russia some months ago.

Drug Formulas Put in Chinese

Translation of United States Pharmacopoeia Will Aid Drugmakers and Scientists.

GERMANY TRIED TO GRAB IT

Attempted Before the War to Corner Drug Trade in China—Use of Different Standards Has Been Confusing and Dangerous.

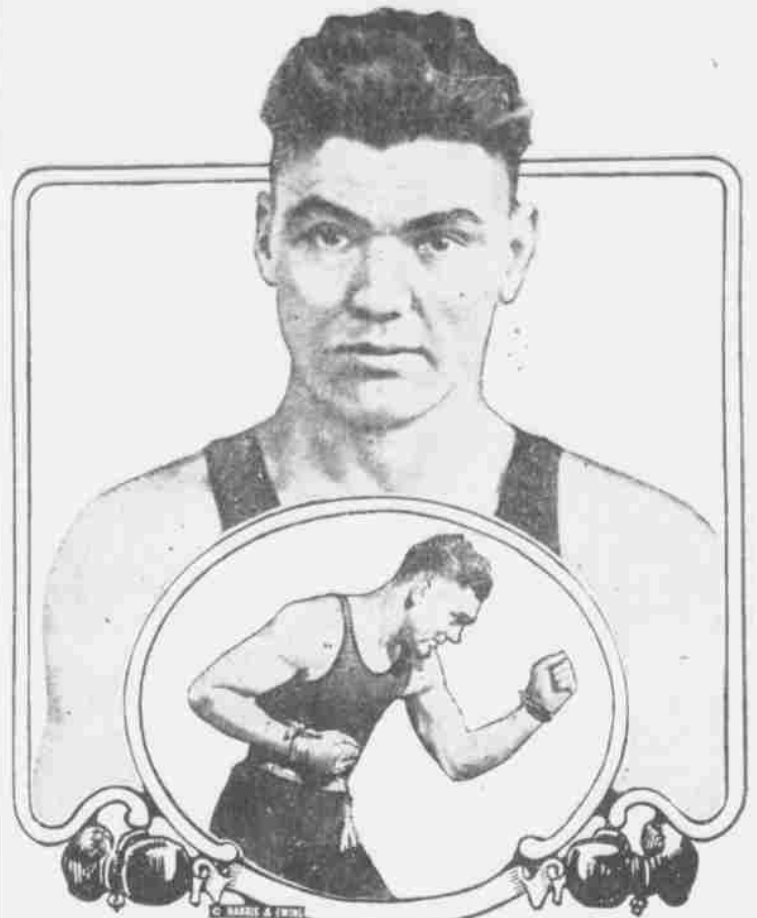
Philadelphia.—The United States Pharmacopoeia is being translated into the Chinese language. It has just been announced by the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science. Through the adoption of the American standard formulas for drugs and medicines, which the pharmacopoeia will

ADVICE FOR MOTHERS



Los Angeles physicians have established a "mothers' educational center" where parents can bring their babies for mental and physical examination, without charge. Recommendation as to the child's care and special treatment is then made. Sick babies are not cured for. It is simply an advisory organization which examines the infants and suggests the proper care for each.

DEMPSEY'S FAVORITE "RABBIT PUNCH" REGARDED AS ILLEGAL



Is Jack Dempsey a foul fighter?

Some say the heavyweight champion is getting away with murder when it comes to the technicalities of the game, writes Harry Hochstetler in the Chicago Post.

These certain "some" contend that Jack Dempsey is a great champion, can hit like "sin," and all that, but he would not be half as effective if referees would bar "the rabbit punch." There are many who say that if Dempsey continues to use the rabbit punch he will wake up to find he has been disqualified out of the heavyweight championship of the world.

Infraction of Rules.

There is no doubt that the rabbit blow is an infraction of the Marquis of Queensberry rules. Millbern Saylor used it with great effect for a long while. He scored quite a number of knockouts before his opponents got wise to his trick. Saylor was disqualified for using the rabbit punch in Australia.

For the benefit of those who don't know what the rabbit punch is, we of-

fer the following lucid explanation:

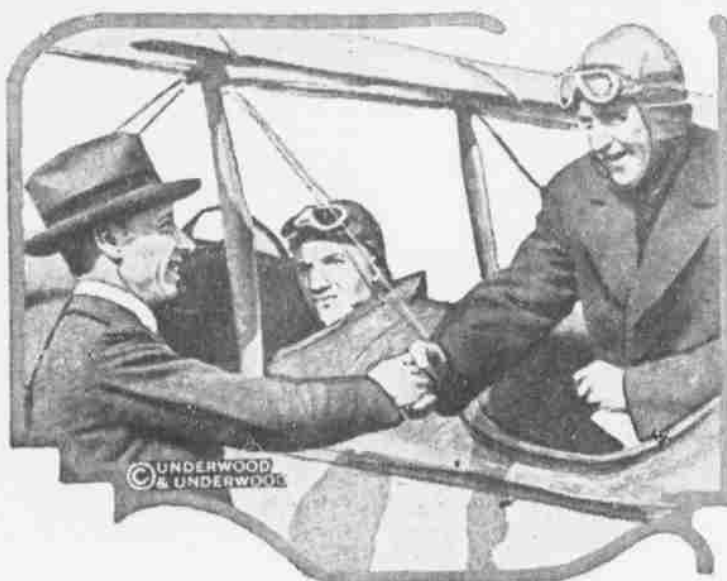
"A sock back of the neck with the fist and forearm. Dempsey gets his opponent into position for the rabbit punch with a left hook to the body. This doubles up the victim and then Dempsey steps to the right and lets go back of the neck."

To our own knowledge Jack Dempsey pulled this same stunt against Homer Smith at Racine one night when he won in the first round. He also repeated in his first battle with Bill Brennan at Milwaukee in the second round, when he pulled Bill forward and down, at the same time twisting Bill's ankle.

Punch Not Needed.

Dempsey doesn't necessarily have to win all his battles with the rabbit punch. Against Billy Miske the champion just let go blows in any old direction, and they found their mark. Again, when Dempsey won the heavyweight title from Jess Willard at Toledo, Big Jess was so tall and big that Dempsey never had a chance to use the rabbit blow.

First Airplane Forest Patrol



Here is the start of the first airplane forest patrol flight ever attempted in Minnesota, with the participation of the First Minnesota observation squadron and the cooperation of the state forestry service. Eighty-seven blazes were spotted in less than half an hour after arrival on the scene of the fires. The 205 miles from St. Paul were covered in 132 minutes. W. T. Cox, state forester, is shown shaking hands with A. E. Finley, his assistant, who acted as observer on the flight. In the front cockpit is Lieut. V. C. Omile.

He Will "Herd Gulls"

Harvard Graduate Is Engaged for Lonesome Job.

Private Philanthropy in Which New York Millionaire Has Been Engaged for Years.

New York.—Edward Hatch, Jr., who owns Four Brothers Island, near Burlington, Vt., a rugged rock that has become famous as the breeding place of seagulls, has signed up a Harvard graduate for the lonesome job of herding gulls during their nesting season, a private philanthropy in which Mr. Hatch has been engaged for years.

There were 1,600 applicants for the job as the result of the insertion of an advertisement in New York City which read:

A man to live alone on island lake; eight miles

from shore; transportation, food, shelter, boat, etc., furnished; no work, no compensation. Address Summer-time, 600 Tribune building, New York.

"I have no faith in the theories of Thomas A. Edison when it comes to selecting the man for the place," said Mr. Hatch. "I have found in my experience that a search for the best personnel generally leads to the college man. He may start slowly, but he has the equipment and once started he goes fast and straight."

"That is why I selected a college man to be warden of the gulls. The job is one that requires aptitude and judgment such as an educated man may be expected to possess."

Among applicants for the wardenship of a lonely island were naturalists, lawyers, poets, authors, artists, ex-soldiers, sailors and ornithologists.

Mr. Hatch protects the breeding place of the gulls because he believes they are of the greatest value in con-

serving public health. He has been interested for many years in plans to prevent contamination of the waters of New York harbor. It is estimated that there are 200,000 gulls in and about the harbor and each of them is said to consume an average of two pounds of refuse a day. To protect the eggs of nesting gulls and save the young from destruction by vandals who visit Four Brothers Island Mr. Hatch has constituted himself protector of the breeding ground. This is the ninth warden appointed.

Formal dedication of the great Oklahoma City, Okla.—Lovers have found a friend in Municipal Judge T. Chambers.

He handed down a decision that, in your lover's lap is not disorderly conduct. The decision was given in the case of Denny O'Leary and Grace Reader. Police had preferred charges of disorderly conduct against the couple, claiming they found the girl sitting on O'Leary's lap.

Judge Chambers is young and unmarried.

BASEBALL STORIES

Many a path that leads to the home plate is paved with bases on balls.

Bert Ellison, former Detroit Tiger, is doing a lot of hitting for the Sox.

A minor leaguer isn't judged by his association, but by the work he does in it.

Babe Ruth admits he'd rather be a sure-py guy than to hit .500 in mere singles.

St. Louis Americans have released Pitcher Nick Cullop to the Louisville A. A. club.

Flagstead is a valuable ball player and can fill in at an infield or outfield position.

Government officials have not yet made any pinches among the millions of baseball dope users.

The Malls arrived in Cleveland this spring. The left-hander has a special delivery stamp on his offerings now.

Chief Poolaw was not good enough for the Southern league, but he is quite a big Indian in the Western association.

Any man who has filled out an income tax blank ought to find the job of figuring a batting average comparatively easy.

Big leaguer scouts will now hie forth to Wilkesbarre, Pa. Harry Williams, high school hurler, pitched a no-hit, no-run game.

Hughie Jennings' size-up of Ty Cobb's Tigers is that they'll finish one-two-three. Hughie once was considered a good guesser.

The Des Moines club gave Pitcher Glenn Meadows his unconditional release. Pitcher Fred Delbern has been put on the voluntary retired list.

WINTERS IS TEMPERAMENTAL

Pitcher Released to Toronto by Giants Must Make Good in International League.

Jesse Winters, released by the Giants to the Toronto club of the International league under an optional agreement, must make good this year or John McGraw will lose interest in him. This fellow has all the stuff necessary to make him a first-class hurler, but for some reason or other, probably because he is very high-strung, he has failed to make good in fast company after an extended trial.



Pitcher Jesse Winters.

Perhaps a year in the minors will steady him and teach him to get the most out of his natural skill in manipulating a ball. Fortunately, Winters has been sent to a club managed by a man who knows his capabilities and his faults thoroughly. Larry Doyle will know how to handle the temperamental Texan, and will aid him more than any other minor league leader could.

Two-Handed Australian.

Joseph H. Kirkwood, Australian golf champion, is ambidextrous.